CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	14g
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Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Commissioner of Police
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	25 October 2017
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	26 October 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

This computer image file is a photograph that explicitly depicts a young boy engaged in a sexual act. The image is clearly intended for the purpose of sexual arousal and gratification of people with a sexual interest in young adolescent boys. As such it promotes and supports the exploitation of children and young persons for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention. It is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression, reflecting the concern of a New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.